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All Wheat Production Down from 2011

Dear Respondent:

This issue of the Idaho Crop and Livestock Producers' News covers the results of the September 2012 Quarterly Ag Survey. Acreage, yield, and production were reported for the U.S., Region and selected States.

This release is sent to survey participants in appreciation for their time spent responding to the survey. For more information contact us at nass-id@nass.usda.gov or at 1-800-691-9987. Thank you for reporting and your continued support.

Sincerely,

Vince Matthews
Director

All wheat production in Idaho is down 15 percent from 2011 to 98.0 million bushels. The winter wheat yield, at 80.0 bushels per acre, is down 2.0 bushels per acre from last year. Winter wheat production totals 59.2 million bushels from 740,000 harvested acres, down 6 percent from last year's 63.1 million bushels. The 2012 winter wheat production is estimated to be 77 percent white and 23 percent hard red. Spring wheat yield, at 76.0 bushels per acre, is down 8.0 bushels per acre from a year ago. Idaho's spring wheat production totals 38.0 million bushels from 500,000 harvested acres, down 27 percent from 2011's 52.1 million bushels. The spring wheat crop is estimated to be 50 percent white and 50 percent hard red. Yield for durum wheat is estimated to be 62.0 bushels per acre, down 7.0 bushels from last year. Durum wheat production in Idaho totals 806,000 bushels from 13,000 harvested acres, up 47,000 bushels from last year. Barley yield is estimated at 91.0 bushels per acre, down 2.0 bushels per acre from last year. Barley production totals 53.7 million bushels from 590,000 harvested acres, 15 percent more than last year's production of 46.5 million bushels. Idaho's oat production totals 975,000 bushels from 15,000 harvested acres. Production is down 7 percent from last year.

Nationally, all wheat production totalled 2.27 billion bushels in 2012, up 13 percent from 2011. Grain area totaled 49.0 million acres, up 7 percent from last year. The United States yield is 46.3 bushels per acre, up 2.6 bushels from the previous year and matches the record high from 2010. The levels of production and changes from last year by type are: winter wheat, 1.65 billion bushels, up 10 percent; other spring wheat, 542 million bushels, up 19 percent; and Durum wheat, 82.0 million bushels, up 62 percent. Barley production is estimated at 220 million bushels, up 41 percent from 2011. Average yield per acre, at 67.9 bushels, is down 1.7 bushels from the previous year. Producers seeded 3.64 million acres in 2012, up 42 percent from last year. Harvested area, at 3.24 million acres, is up 45 percent from 2011. These represent the first increases in seeded and harvested area since 2008. Oat production is estimated at 64.0 million bushels, up 19 percent from 2011. Yield is estimated at 61.3 bushels per acre, up 4.2 bushels from the previous year. Harvested area, at 1.05 million acres, is 11 percent above last year. This is the second smallest acreage harvested for grain on record.

Idaho's September 1 wheat stocks in all positions totaled 81.9 million bushels, down 6 percent from the 87.4 million bushels in storage September 1, 2011. On-farm storage of 30.0 million bushels is down 33 percent from the 44.5 million bushels in storage a year ago. Off-farm stocks, at 51.9 million bushels, are up 21 percent from a year ago. Barley stocks in all positions September 1 totaled 44.1 million bushels, down 1 percent from last year's 44.6 million bushels. On-farm stocks totaled 22.0 million bushels, down 15 percent from a year ago when 26.0 million bushels were in storage. Off-farm stocks totaled 22.1 million bushels, up 18 percent from 2011's 18.6 million bushels.

Nationally, all wheat stocks in all positions September 1, 2012, totaled 2.10 billion bushels, down 2 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks are estimated at 573 million bushels, down 9 percent from last September. Off-farm stocks, at 1.53 billion bushels, are up 1 percent from a year ago. Barley stocks in all positions on September 1, 2012, totaled 197 million bushels, up 12 percent from September 1, 2011. On-farm stocks are estimated at 112 million bushels, 20 percent above a year ago. Off-farm stocks, at 85.3 million bushels, are 4 percent above September 2011. Oats stored in all positions on September 1, 2012, totaled 85.0 million bushels, 8 percent above the stocks on September 1, 2011. Of the total stocks on hand, 34.1 million bushels are stored on farms, 10 percent higher than a year ago. Off-farm stocks totaled 50.9 million bushels, 7 percent above the previous year. Old crop corn stocks in all positions on September 1, 2012, totaled 988 million bushels, down 12 percent from September 1, 2011. Of the total stocks, 314 million bushels are stored on farms, down slightly from a year earlier. Off-farm stocks, at 675 million bushels, are down 17 percent from a year ago.

Harvested Acreage, Yield and Production, Idaho & U.S., 2011 and 2012

CROP	UNIT	HARVESTED ACREAGE		YIELD		PRODUCTION		2012 / 2011
		2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	
		<i>Thousand Acres</i>				<i>Thousand Bushels</i>		<i>Percent</i>
IDAHO:								
All Wheat	Bu.	1,401	1,253	82.8	78.2	115,979	98,006	85
Winter Wheat	Bu.	770	740	82.0	80.0	63,140	59,200	94
Spring Wheat	Bu.	620	500	84.0	76.0	52,080	38,000	73
Durum Wheat	Bu.	11	13	69.0	62.0	759	806	106
Oats	Bu.	15	15	70.0	65.0	1,050	975	93
Barley	Bu.	500	590	93.0	91.0	46,500	53,690	115
UNITED STATES:								
All Wheat	Bu.	45,705	48,991	43.7	46.3	1,999,347	2,269,117	113
Winter Wheat	Bu.	32,314	34,834	46.2	47.2	1,493,677	1,645,202	110
Spring Wheat	Bu.	12,079	12,055	37.7	45.0	455,188	541,959	119
Durum Wheat	Bu.	1,312	2,102	38.5	39.0	50,482	81,956	162
Oats	Bu.	939	1,045	57.1	61.3	53,649	64,024	119
Barley	Bu.	2,239	3,244	69.6	67.9	155,780	220,284	141

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